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Dear Mr. Barker:

This is in reply to your letter to President Clinton concerning the <u>Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice)</u> in PR Docket No. 92-235, 57 FR 54034 (1992).

We are, of course, sensitive to the concerns of both users of private land mobile radio spectrum and R/C hobbyists. We will, therefore, take into careful consideration all their comments. Your concerns will be included in the record of this proceeding and will be considered in developing our final rules.

Sincerely,

Ralph A. Haller

Chief, Private Radio Bureau

# Enclosures:

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The White House

Washington, D.C. 20500

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# **U.S. AirCore**

MODEL AIRCRAFT MANUFACTURING

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January 22, 1993

President Bill Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC 20501

Dear Mr. Clinton:

We own one of the fastest growing model airplane manufacturing companies in the world, and are based in Dallas. We are a young company (started in 1989) and export over 25% of our products overseas. All of our products are 100% made in the USA, something we are very proud of. Thousands of customers of ours, worldwide, enjoy radio-controlled flying with our kits, and millions of people enjoy this hobby. In the spirit of Ben Franklin with his kite, many pilots, engineers, scientists, and teachers recall their first encounter with a model airplane as the moment of inspiration for their careers. Actions currently being considered at the FCC are threatening our livelihood and our existence, as well as the hobby treasured by millions in this country for years, and the first deadline is February 26, 1993.

The FCC is considering an action that has the potential to destroy my business ant that of thousands of other manufacturers nationwide like me. The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted the new rule will greatly reduce the useability of frequencies currently assigned for R/C model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability.

Our radio-controlled frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. However, our radio-control frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

The Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) in PR Docket 92-235 replaces Part 90 of the rules with a new Part 88. Part 90 allows for safe use of R/C aircraft and surface models by keeping 10 kHz spacing between fixed commercial users and frequencies used by R/C enthusiasts. The new Part 88 will allow mobile users on frequencies within 2.5 kHz of frequencies available to us, eliminating safe use of at least 31 of the 50 channels on the 72 MHz band (for R/C aircraft) and 10 of the 30 frequencies on the 75 MHz band (for R/C cars and boats) now used by hobbyists. In fact, more channels will likely be affected.

When F/C models are operated, great care is taken to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of these safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

I don't think it is wise of the FCC to seek to expand the operation conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of the radio-control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radio, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. It is a billion dollar industry that must be saved from these detrimental FCC actions. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to hundreds of thousands of people and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue my business without interference by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposal PR Docket 92-235 for the 72-76 MHz band. We need your help urgently because

Finally, I am not a lobbyist, and I do not have a large check enclosed. To my knowledge, my industry group does not have a PAC or "war chest". We'd still like your help, anyway.

We're a small growing company employing people, paying taxes and generating income in your back yard. Our products give people of all ages, world wide, education and enjoyment, and each customer has a little higher regard for Dallas, Texas and the words "U.S. Made" once they experience our handiwork. We would appreciate your support.

Sincerely,

U.S. AMCORE, INC.

George S. Barker